



**STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE
DIVISION OF FIRE PREVENTION
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To Public Fireworks Display Applicants:

We have enclosed for your convenience a Public Display Fireworks Permit Application for fireworks display and for use of pyrotechnics before a proximate audience. Please note that the following requirements must be met in order for your application to be processed and your permit issued.

1. Our office must receive your application at least ten (10) days prior to display.
2. Your application must be completed in its entirety.
3. Your application must contain the signature of the Chief Supervisory Official of the Fire and Police Departments.
4. A fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) must accompany your application. (Please make your check or money order payable to the Department of Commerce and Insurance.)
5. A list of the fireworks and their designated D.O.T. classification that will be used in the display must be submitted with your application.
6. Submit a detailed diagram or site plan of the launch or firing activity and show all safety precautions. See the two enclosed checklists which identify minimum code compliance of NFPA 1123 (outdoor display for barges, ball fields, fair grounds, etc.) and NFPA 1126 (indoor or outdoor stage performances before a proximate audience) that must be shown on a diagram or site plan.

Please be aware that your diagram or site plan must be reviewed and approved by this Division's Codes Enforcement Section representative for compliance with the 2000 edition of NFPA 1123, *Code for Fireworks Display*, and the 2001 edition of NFPA 1126, *Standards for Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience*. These standards may be purchased from the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, P.O. Box 9109, Quincy, MA 02269-9109; 1-800-344-3555; or by the Internet at www.nfpa.org.

If you have any questions regarding the application requirements or process, please call our office at (615) 741-1322, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., CST. If you

have any questions regarding the fireworks diagram or site plan requirements, please refer your calls to our Codes Enforcement Section, during the same hours listed above, at (615) 741- 7190.

Your cooperation and assistance in supplying us with the above mentioned documentation will facilitate your application being processed as quickly and efficiently as possible.



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APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS PERMIT

INSTRUCTIONS: Please Print or Type

1. Please complete the entire application.
2. Have signature of Chief Supervisory Official of the Fire **and** Police Department.
3. Submit a list of fireworks to be used and designated D.O.T. class for each firework.
4. Submit a diagram of launch or firing area detailing all launch or firing activity and safety precautions. Additionally, provide a list of all safety precautions taken.
5. All applications must be reviewed and approved by the Division of Fire Prevention, Codes Enforcement Office for compliance with applicable safety standards before a permit is issued.
6. Submit a fee of \$50.00 per permit. Your check or money order should be made payable to: Department of Commerce and Insurance.
7. Displays that extend beyond one (1) calendar day or occur at multiple locations require separate permits.

(Pursuant to Title 68, Chapter 104, Tennessee Code Annotated)

APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST TEN (10) DAYS PRIOR TO PROPOSED DISPLAY

Application is hereby being made by _____ of _____
(Name of Individual) (Name of Organization)

for permit to display fireworks publicly by igniting and shooting for entertainment purposes.

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Fax # () _____ Telephone # () _____

Dates for Display _____

Location of Indoor Display _____

Times of Display _____

Location of Outdoor Display_____

City of Display_____ County of Display_____

Display will be under the supervision of_____, whose relationship to the applicant
is_____. Is this individual over 18 years of age? Yes_____ No_____
(e.g., employee, independent contractor, etc.)

Address_____ City_____

State_____ Zip_____ Phone Number ()_____

I HEREBY CERTIFY, AS IS EVIDENCED BY MY SIGNATURE HERETO, THAT I HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE
FIREWORKS LAWS FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE AND THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND SAID LAWS. I
WILL ABIDE BY SECTION 68-104-107 OF THE TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED WHICH GOVERNS PUBLIC
DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS.

Signature of Applicant

Date

PERMIT WILL NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT THE SIGNATURES BELOW

If the proposed display is to be made within the limits of a municipality, you must submit the signed
approval of the chief supervisory officials of the fire and police departments of such municipality.

I, _____ Chief of Police of the City of _____,

hereby approve this application. Date_____

I, _____ Chief of the Fire Department of the City of _____,

hereby approve this application. Date_____

**THIS APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED TEN (10) DAYS BEFORE PUBLIC DISPLAY OF
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**Outdoor Fireworks Display
Diagram Checklist**

(Show information on the site plan or by other documentation where applicable)

**2000 Edition of NFPA 1123
Code for Fireworks Display**

1. List the types of fireworks used with mortar sizes (3in. dia., 4in. dia., etc.). The display site radius must have 70 ft/in for the largest mortar diameter (example: 6in dia. Mortar x 70ft/in. = 420ft. clearance). (NFPA 1123 3.1.3)
2. Show the location of emergency personnel, emergency vehicle staging area, and access routes. (NFPA 1123 3.3.3)
3. The display operator, sponsor, or both should prepare and submit site plans to the authority having jurisdiction for approval. These diagrams should be drawn to approximate scale, should illustrate compliance with Chapter 3, and to the extent required by the authority having jurisdiction should contain all of the following information.
 - (1) Display site – identify significant ground features, public rights of way, significant building or structures, overhead obstructions, parking areas, and spectator viewing areas
 - (2) Location of fireworks storage areas
 - (3) Fallout area, including dimensions
 - (4) North arrow
 - (5) Likely wind direction
 - (6) Location of significant roadways, including access and control points
 - (7) Traffic plans indicating the flow of vehicles into and out of the site before and after the display (Appendix F, F-5 Site Plans pg. 28, F.5.1.1)



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**Indoor Fireworks Display
Diagram Checklist**

(Show information on the diagram or by other documentation where applicable)

**2001 Edition of NFPA 1126
Code for Fireworks Display**

1. Provide the name of the pyrotechnic operator and the company they represent who is responsible for the safety, set up and discharge of the pyrotechnics. (NFPA 1126 4.3.2(d))
2. List the pyrotechnic operator's qualifications and experience. (NFPA 1126 4.3.2(f) and (g))
3. Identify the location, number, and type of pyrotechnic devices, mortars, and materials used. (NFPA 1126 4.3.2 (j))
4. Submit a diagram of the grounds or facility where the production is to be held. (NFPA 1126 4.3.2 (k))
 - a. Show the point at which the pyrotechnic devices are to be fired.
 - b. Identify any overhead obstructions.
 - c. Show the fallout radius for each pyrotechnic device used in the performance.
 - d. Show the lines behind which the audience must be restrained (at least 15 ft. clearance, but not less than twice the fallout radius of the device). (NFPA 1126 6.4.1)
5. Identify the manner and place of storage of the pyrotechnic materials and devices. (NFPA 1126 4.3.2 (m))
 - a. Fireworks shall be prepared in a separate, lockable room or facility, and provisions for lockable storage must be provided. (NFPA 1126 6.1.3, and .4)
 - b. Provide magazine storage for mixed binary products (DOT 1.3G) in accordance with Title 7, Code of Federal Register Subpart K (Federal storage regulation).
6. Provide certifications that the set, scenery, and rigging materials are inherently flame-retardant or have been treated to achieve flame retardency. (NFPA 1126 4.3.2 (o))
7. Provide at least two pressurized water or pump extinguishers. (NFPA 1126 6.1.1.1)

8. Where the performance necessitates the bypassing of any smoke detectors, the permittee must arrange for a fire watch officer from the authority having jurisdiction to be available during performances and rehearsals. The fire watch officer must be in direct communication with the local fire department.
9. Concussion mortars must be separated from the audience by a minimum of 25 ft. (NFPA 1126 6.4.2)